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REF: (A) STATE 072640, (B) SANA 0999

1. AMBASSADOR PASSED CONTENTS OF REF B IN LETTER TO MINDEF PRINCE SULTAN AFTER RECEIPT REF A. IN AN APPARENT RESPONSE TO THAT LETTER, FONMIN UNDER SECRETARY FOR POLITICAL AFFAIRS AL-MANSOURI HANDED FOLLOWING MEMORANDUM APRIL 13 TO DCM. TRANSLATION OF TEXT FOLLOWS:

2. BEGIN TEXT: MILIARY SUPPLIES RECENTLY SENT FROM USSR TO YAR: A) VARIOUS SPARE PARTS FOR RUSSIAN WEAPONS, B) 8,000,000 (EIGHT MILLION) ROUNDS OF SMALL ARMS, MORTAR, AND ARTILLERY AMMUNITION. C) 3,000 (THREE THOUSAND) PARACHUTES FOR YAR AIRBORNE FORCES. D) IN ADDITION TO ABOVE, VARIOUS CHINESE WEAPONS (TYPES UNKNOWN) HAVE RECENTLY ARRIVE IN YAR. THE FOLLOWING WEAPONS AND EQUIPMENT WERE RECENTLY SENT TO YAR, BUT WERE NOT UNLOADED FROM VESSELS BECAUSE OF THE ARRIVAL OF A SAUDI MILITARY DELEGATION TO YAR. THE SHIPS LOADED WITH THE EQUIPMENT WENT ON TO PDRY (COMMENT: PRESUMABLY, THOUGH THIS IS NOT SECRET

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IN THE TEXT, THEY UNLOADED THEIR CARGO IN ADEN). A) THIRTY-

SIX (36) FIELD ARTILLERY WEAPONS; B) 82MM MORTARS; D) NINETY (90) MEDIUM CALIBER MACHINE GUNS (37. & .50 CAL.); E) TWO (2) AIRCRAFT RADAR; F) ELEVEN (11) WIRELESS STATIONS MOUNTED ON GAZ VEHICLES (MODEL 39); G) FIVE (5) TANK TRANSPORTERS; H) ONE (1) MINE SWEEPER MOUNTED ON A T-34 TANK; I) ONE (1) COMPLETE REPAIR SHOP FOR ARTILLERY WEAPONS; J) FIVE (5) TRENCHERS MOUNTED ON VEHICLES MODEL (MAZ 500); K) TWO (2) ENGINES FOR MIG 17 AIRCRAFT; L) EIGHTEEN (18) BATTERIES FOR MIG 17 AIRCRAFT; M) EIGHT HUNDRED SIXTY (860) ROCKET FUSES TYPE L FOR AIRCRAFT; N) 12,800 (TWELVE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED) ARTILLERY ROUNDS FOR ARTILLERY (D/M); O) TWO THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED (2,500) ROUNDS OF ANTI-AIRCRAFT AMMUNITION; P) COMMUNICATIONS APPARATUS (INCLUDING SWITCHES, TELEPHONE EQUIPMENT AND ITS CIRCUITRY); Q) A LARGE QUANTITY OF SPECIAL COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT FOR YAR AIR FORCE. END TEXT.

3. DAO FORWARDING THIS LIST THROUGH SEPARATE CHANNELS WITH COMMENTARY.
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